- I strongly oppose the national association of broadcasters attempts to deny my access to various local weather and traffic information via satellite radio with their petition 04-160. Some of my reasons for opposing this petition are as follows
- 1 Over the road truckers utilize satellite weather and traffic info to help plan their routes into destinations, sometimes many hours before they are able to get local programming, use of this info can save time, money, congestion, and avoidable accidents.
- 2 While travelling to various destinations for pleasure, I also utilize this info for the same reasons listed in #1, but in addition would add that living in mountainous terrain, satellite radio provides a signal I seldom lose, thereby giving me access to valuable data.
- 3 I do not believe that any one group should have exclusive priveledge when it comes to info that is of such value to the public at large.
- 4 As a subscriber to satellite radio I feel that I am getting the best programming available, with plenty of variety and un-interrupted service, I also feel that satellite radio gives me the best source of information in regards to weather and traffic info.

Please do not let selfish organizations or groups deny me access to information that in many cases is either not available early enough to be of assistance, or not delivered in a timely fashion!

Thank you Calvin Smith